21. III. Remarks

The status of the claims is set forth in the above listing of the claims. Claims 1-8, 10-16, and 19-20 are pending in the present application. Original claims 9, 17, and 18 have been cancelled, and no new claim has been added. Although Applicant respectfully disagrees with the rejections and objections outlined in the Office Action, Applicant has amended all claims to expedite the allowance of the present application.

IV. Arguments

A. Claim Rejections

Applicant notes that original claims 1 and 11 were rejected under 35 USC § 112 based on a disclosure which is allegedly not enabling. Claims 1-3, 11-13, and 19-20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112 as allegedly being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter. Claims 9 and 18 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112 as allegedly being indefinite for failing to point out what is included or excluded by the claim language. Applicant further notes that claim 1 was rejected allegedly due to an insufficient antecedent basis.

1. 35 U.S.C. § 112 Rejections

(a) Claims 1 and 11

Independent claim 1 has been amended to include "wherein the fourth location is spaced from the third location by a second offset distance; and further wherein the first and second offset distances are different;" Similar amendments were made to claim 11. Applicant respectfully submits that the Specification of the present application, particularly paragraphs 62 and 64, enable claims 1 and 11 as amended. Accordingly, Applicant believes that claims 1 and 11, as amended, satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112.

(b) Claims 1-3, 11-13, and 19-20

Applicant does not believe that the original claims include the language "wherein the or each said first and second image" as asserted in the Office Action. Nevertheless, Applicant has made amendments to virtually all of the claims in an effort to clarify the scope of the pending claims. Applicant respectfully submits that these amendments have rendered the indefiniteness rejections moot, and all pending claims satisfy the formality requirements under 35 U.S.C. § 112.

(c) Claims 9 and 18

Applicant has canceled claims 9 and 18, rendering the asserted rejections against these claims moot.

2. Insufficient Antecedent Basis Rejections

Independent claim 1 was rejected due to an insufficient antecedent basis. Independent claim 1 has been amended to recite "on <u>the</u> first image pair" instead of "on at least one said first image pair" as originally submitted. Similar amendments have been made throughout the application, and are reflected in the Listing of Claims above. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that the present application is in condition for allowance.

B. Claim Objections

Objections were asserted in the Office Action for alleged informalities. In particular, Applicant notes that original claims 4-8, 10, and 14-18 were objected to under 37 CFR 1.75(c) as being in improper form because a multiple dependent claim should refer to other claims in the alternative only and cannot depend from any other multiple dependent claim. Applicant respectfully submits that the pending claims have been amended to remove the multiple dependencies in the rejected claims, rendering the objection moot.

V. Conclusion

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In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. If any additional fees are required to complete this filing, or if an overpayment has occurred, the Commissioner is authorized to charge or credit such amount to Deposit Account No. 13-0480, referencing Attorney Docket No. 95194936.226001. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned Attorney of Record if such would expedite the prosecution of this Application.

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